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OFFICE OF THE SANITARY COMMISSIONER,
WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

D. O. No.

Bangalore, 6/11/1918.

dear Mr D'Souza

With reference to your D.O. of the 2nd, I write to inform you that I am giving instructions that the necessary action has been taken to open the Influenza Hospital. I shall also consult the Director about starting Mr. Thammaiah in charge of the Hospital.

Yours sincerely

Dewan's Office,

7-11-1918

My dear Srinivasa Iyer

The draft on this file may be
finally approved as per orders of G.C.S. & the file
then returned, as it is Memorial likely

to be delayed

Yours Sincerely
Bhupendranath Basu

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Office of the Sanitary Commissioner in Mysore,

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From

M. Srinivasa Rao Esq., M.A., M.D., D.P.H.,
Sanitary Commissioner in Mysore
Bangalore.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to Government,
Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit herewith, for the information and orders of Government, a note on the organisation of relief measures in the Mysore City in connection with the prevailing epidemic of influenza.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

M. Srinivasa Rao

Sanitary Commissioner.

Re: Influenza

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From

The Sanitary Commissioner in Mysore, Bangalore

To

The Chief Secretary to the Govt of Mysore, Bangalore

Dated 13th Nov. 1918

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General No. G.C. 237

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Submitting a note on the organisation of relief measures in the Mysore city ~~from the~~ ~~forces~~ in connection with the epidemic of Influenza.

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Mr Rama Rao may kindly look into it & the Camp Hospl Arrangements. G.
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I have written demi-officially to S.C. Mine pointing out that Mysore is perused

Chief

Note on the organisation of relief measures in tthe Mysore City.

From tne 13th. October 1918, the work of giving medical relief through tne agency of tne sanitary staft was started. At first it was not popular, only about 800 people having received relief from the 13th. to 16th. From the 16th. onwards however the measure gained so much popular favor that the satft was not able to cope with the demand in the various mohallas. A meeting of the Municipal Council was held on the 16th. and the Council resolved to divide tne city into 8 wards with 20 sub-divisions, tne municipal councillors of the mohallas concerned and other respectable residents being requested to supervise tne operations. The suburban villages are also included in tnese sub-divisions.

2. The relief measures consist of tne distribution of conjee to patients who need it and of giving money doles to the destitute sick. A sum of Rs. 30/- is placed at tne disposal of eacn of tne parties in charge of tne wards and recouped from time to time.

3. In addition to the existing Government Dispensaries, five Unani and Ayurvedic Dispensaries nave been established. These are all stationary dispensaries and only in urgent cases the pandits and nakims in charge go round to treat patients in their houses. Thirty seven medical depots nave been opened in various parts of tne city and placed in charge of either medical pupils that nave gone from Bangalore or of local volunteers. English and Ayurvedic medicines are dispensed in these depots.

4. The distribution of conjee was commenced from tne 16th. October

October. A motor lorry was placed at the disposal of the Municipal Council for the purpose by the Palace Authorities. A second lorry was added to this on the 23rd. October. Conjee prepared in the Bidadi and other places is sent out with the lorries sufficient in quantity to afford relief on an average to 3,000 people. I fear, however, that the conjee is being distributed without much discrimination. It is to some extent taken and used by able-bodied beggars and others who crowd round the lorries. It is essential that an organisation of voluntary workers or, if volunteers cannot be secured, of paid workers should be formed whose duty it should be to go from house to house, find out the actual number of persons ill with the disease, estimate the quantity of conjee required for the day, get a supply on an indent and personally distribute the conjee to the sick in their own houses. Unless this is done the distribution of nourishment would miss its aim.

5. The stock of fuel kept at the cremation grounds is sufficient to meet the probable daily demand. A supply worth Rs3- 8- 0 is issued for each body to be cremated. It is proposed to supply fuel free to the poor and at cost price to the others.

Arrangement is made to keep graves ready excavated in grave-yards.

6. The Epidemic Diseases Hospital was inspected. There were on the 29th. October, 52 patients of whom 36 were cases of Influenza. From the beginning of the epidemic 82 patients were admitted for Influenza into the Hospital of whom 19 had Pneumonia. Of these 19, 12 died and among the rest (63) 8 deaths occurred.

Accommodation is available in the Hospital for 12 more patients. Should the existing dilapidated sheds be repaired an additional 34 patients could be accommodated. The extra bedding and clothing needed has been purchased.

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7. The contact camps in the Idiga, Chamundi Extension, Ja Jalapuri and Erangere are used exclusively by plague contacts. So far, no influenza contacts have ever asked for shed accommodation.

8. It will be seen that the 82 ~~[illegible]~~ admissions into the Epidemic Diseases Hospital bear but a very small proportion to the total mortality in the city from influenza and a much more inconsiderable proportion to the number of people attacked with the disease. As I have already brought to the notice of Government, the Epidemic Diseases Hospital is, on account of its associations, hardly the place calculated to find popular favor in the case of a disease like influenza. What is required is an open-air camp hospital in a central locality and easily accessible to patients. Government have since passed orders directing the conversion of the Exhibition buildings into a temporary Influenza Hospital. Mr. P. Shama Rao, 1st. class Sub-assistant Surgeon, who has not much inoculation work to do now, may be placed in charge of the Hospital, the menial staff and necessary equipment being found by the Municipality.

Bangalore,
1st. November 1918.

Sanitary Commissioner.

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Read :—

Letter No G.C 237 of the 7th November 1918 from the Sanitary Commr in Mysore submitting a note on the organisation of Relief measures in the Mysore City in connection with the prevailing epidemic of influenza.

(Print the note in extenso)

Order thereon

No G 8206-9 of 8-11-18.

Recorded with the Remark that Mr. P. Shamu Rao, 1st Class Sub Asst Surgeon in charge of vaccination work, will be placed in charge of the Newly Opened Camp Hospital, Exhibition Grounds, Mysore.

To The Sanitary Commr
" Senior Surgeon
" Resdt, Mysore with Bill C.
" Bangalore for information.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,
CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, MYSORE.

Dated...25th Nov....*1918.*

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FROM,

RAJASABHABHUSHANA DIWAN BAHADUR,

C. SRIKANTESVARA AIYAR, B.A., B.L.;

PRESIDENT, CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL,

MYSORE.

To,

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

SIR,

With reference to your No. G.8206-9 dated 8th November 1918 regarding the opening of the Influenza Hospital in Mysore, I have the honour to state that as on account of inclement weather, pukka built rooms were considered better suited for the purpose than the sheds, three rooms in the Exhibition buildings were selected and arranged to be put in order.

2. Since the Epidemic has now subsided there is no immediate need for the fittings and staff. The Medical Officer in charge of Krishnarajendra Hospital who is the Visiting Surgeon for the Influenza Hospital has been requested to keep in readiness such of the furniture and equipment as can be made available from the Krishnarajendra Hospital for use against contingencies, if any.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

for President.

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